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## **Be Not Proud, Dear Adam**

*Nick Rakowski*

Travel, travel; serpent, do not merely  
Stop for my health, my blindness.  
I have seen you, your minions squawking  
With grins bearing homage to your doorstep.

Bear my burnt cross upon your back, an  
Onus that trivially mocks you.

Watch the light that dances musically on  
Your window, giving prudence to your sin;  
Lie to me, oh make me worthy of this kiss,  
This reciprocity that belies your recalcitrance.

Remove the flower from your lapel,  
Show yourself! Do not wait;  
His grandiosity watches from above,  
Amalgamating fictitious verses for your proselytes.

Feel the incoherence of your God, it  
Brings the fear of fainting to your new  
Idea of superiority in ignorance;

Oh receive it, and slither, fiend